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SUBJECT: PROPOSED EXPORTER/AGENT INFORMATION SYSTEM (E/AIS)

REF: STATE A-4335, OCTOBER 28, 1977

1. INSUFFICIENT DEMAND FOR THE PROPOSED EXPORTER/AGENT INFORMATION SYSTEM EXISTS OR IS ANTICIPATED AT THE EMBASSY IN OTTAWA. CONSTITUENT POSTS IN CANADA HAVE BEEN QUERIED AND ONLY MONTREAL IS INTERESTED IN TRYING THE SYSTEM. IT APPEARS TO MEET ALL THE REQUIREMENTS LISTED ON PAGE 5 OF REFERENCE AIRGRAM ALTHOUGH OFF-SITE USE MIGHT BE LIMITED SINCE THERE WOULD BE FEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUTSIDE DEPLOYMENT.

2. SPECIFIC RESPONSES TO QUESTIONS ON PAGE 6 OF REFERENCE AIRGRAM ARE:

A. CONSULATE GENERAL MONTREAL IS INTERESTED IN HAVING ONE OF THE INITIAL E/AIS UNIT INSTALLATIONS.

B. THE SYSTEM WOULD BE HOUSED IN THE COMMERCIAL LIBRARY WHICH MEASURES ABOUT 400 SQUARE FEET. ONE SET OF BOOK SHELVES WOULD BE MOVED SO THE MACHINE COULD BE PLACED
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AGAINST ONE WALL. THE COMMERCIAL LIBRARIAN, AN EXPERIENCED FSL-4, WOULD HAVE CHARGE OF THE SYSTEM.

C. THE CONSULATE GENERAL IS LOCATED IN A HUGE NEW OFFICE COMPLEX ADJACENT TO THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT. THE COMMERCIAL LIBRARY IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC 40 HOURS PER WEEK EXCEPT FOR U.S. AND CANADIAN HOLIDAYS. FROM JANUARY 1

THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, THE LIBRARY WAS VISITED BY 1351 PERSONS
AND RECEIVED 7394 TELEPHONE INQUIRIES.

D. THERE IS NO COMPARABLE SERVICE AVAILABLE IN THE PRIVATE
SECTOR.

E. THE QUESTION IS NOT REALLY APPLICABLE SINCE THE ONLY
ADJACENT COUNTRY IS THE UNITED STATES. THE INSTALLATION
WOULD BE USEFUL ONLY IF IT WAS PHYSICALLY LOCATED AT THE
POST.

F. YES, THE CONSULATE GENERAL WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE THE
PUBLICATIONS WHETHER OR NOT CHOSEN FOR AN INITIAL
INSTALLATION. DUEMLING

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